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**IN THE TITLE OF THE INVENTION:**

Please amend the title of the invention, in its entirety, so as to read as follows:

**Circuit Board Connector**

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please replace the sentence beginning at page 1, line 9 with the following rewritten paragraph:**

There are two types of circuit board connectors for connecting two circuit boards each other; one type is a socket housing type that can be dismantled even after product assembling and the other is a type that is fixed by soldering during product assembling. Among the latter type, which is fixed by soldering, the one as described below is known. This circuit board connector comprises, as illustrated in Fig. 13, a main body portion 2, a first connecting portion 1 for connection to a first circuit board, a second ~~circuit board connection~~ connecting portion 4 for connection to a second circuit board, and a lead portion 3 located between the second connecting portion 4 and the main body portion 2. The main body portion 2 comprises an auxiliary connecting portion 21 formed from a portion of the main body portion 2, so that the connecting strength is improved by making connection with the first circuit board at two points, at the first connecting portion 1 and the auxiliary connecting portion 21.

**Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 6 with the following rewritten paragraph:**

A circuit board connector according to the present invention comprises a main body portion 2, a first connecting portion 1 for connection to a first circuit board in an electronic device, a second

~~circuit board connection~~ connecting portion 4 for connection to a second circuit board in an electronic apparatus, a lead portion 3 between the second connecting portion 4 and the main body portion 2, and an auxiliary connecting portion 21 formed from a part of the main body portion.

**Please replace the sentence beginning at page 7, line 19 and bridging to page 8, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:**

Fig. 5 is a front elevational view and a top view illustrating a second embodiment of the circuit board connector according to the present invention. The second circuit board connector was obtained as follows: the outer shape of the circuit board connector was formed using press-cutting as in the first embodiment; thereafter, as illustrated in Fig. 6, a gap was provided such that cut surfaces 11 at both edges of the second connecting portion do not come into close contact with each other and that ~~it has a cross-sectional shape~~ its cross section has a shape so that the plating layer forms the outer circumferential surface of the second connecting portion. Thereafter, the cut surface of the lead portion was processed into a C-shaped transverse cross section as illustrated in Fig. 7 for reinforcement, and thus a circuit board connector was completed.